



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Sevier Middle
Greenville
Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 588
Principal: Ms. Karen Kapp
Superintendent: Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher
Board Chair: Megan Hickerson

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Average	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

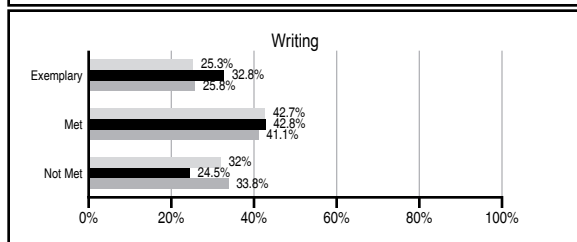
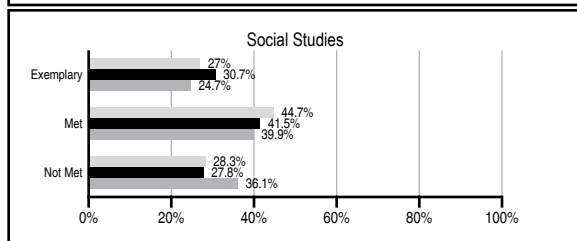
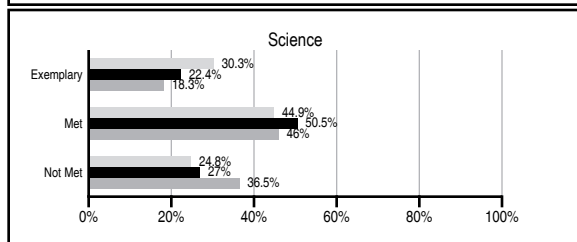
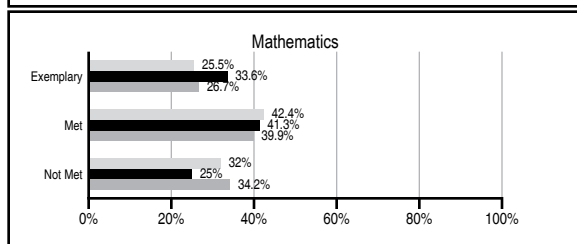
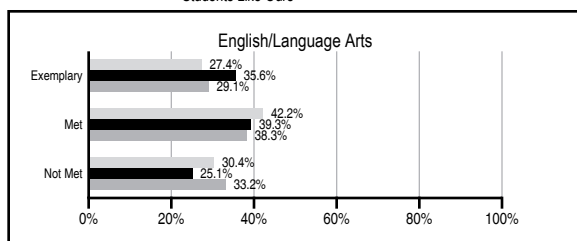
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	11	31	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	31	44	23	2
Nation	27	43	27	2
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced				
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	29	39	24	7
Nation	30	39	24	7
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced				
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)

South Carolina	46	31	21	2
Nation	43	30	24	3
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced				
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	98.5
English 1	100.0	98.2
Physical Science	N/A	91.9
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	98.1

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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Sevier Middle [Greenville]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=588)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	16.5%	Down from 21.3%	25.8%	21.6%
Retention rate	0.7%	Down from 3.0%	1.1%	1.2%
Attendance rate	95.9%	Up from 95.7%	96.0%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	16.3%	Down from 18.7%	19.6%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	15.8%	Down from 16.4%	11.3%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	0.9%	Down from 2.2%	1.9%	2.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	0.8%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=39)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	51.3%	Up from 46.3%	57.9%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	74.4%	Up from 63.4%	76.2%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	6.1%	Down from 6.7%	5.5%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	84.8%	Down from 87.5%	84.9%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 95.8%	95.1%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,285	Up 3.6%	\$46,951	\$46,599
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.8%	Up from 0.0%	0.7%	2.4%
Professional development days/teacher	16.0 days	Down from 16.3 days	10.8 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.9 to 1	Down from 27.0 to 1	21.9 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.9%	Up from 89.9%	89.9%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	97.9%	Down from 100.0%	98.7%	97.8%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,748	Up 6.7%	\$6,934	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.2%	Down from 63.3%	64.2%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.2%	Down from 59.4%	57.2%	57.0%
% of AYP objectives met	93.1%	Up from 79.3%	90.9%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	38	174	57
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.3%	70.1%	82.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.4%	74.3%	71.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	94.6%	79.0%	71.4%

*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Sevier Middle School and its School Improvement Council are pleased to share the progress that we made during the 2008-2009 school year. Our vision to become a highly effective middle school focused our efforts to increase achievement and positive engagement in school. All students learned a common set of comprehension strategies to help them learn in many settings and continued to read high-quality literature and non-fiction. Sevier won its second Greenville Drive Reading Challenge and the district-wide Battle of the Books!

We celebrated our State Report Card improvement to the Average levels in 2008, honored students who made significant gains, and kept an eye on the evidence that confirmed our on-going improvement. Our MAP test performance in spring of 2009 was the highest we have ever posted, in every area!

While teachers and members of the School Improvement Council studied student advocacy, those in the classroom pursued their own ideas about school structures that promote success. The wellness break that we now enjoy at the end of lunch is a result of the best thinking of parents, teachers, and students and the legacy of a successful 2008-09.

We are no longer the "best kept secret in Greenville." Throughout the county and our state, Sevier ranks at the top of the class on many measures of school effectiveness. We provide a strong academic and enrichment program, and give care and attention to the needs of our students. We structure our programs to encourage best performance and a healthy school experience and consciously advocate for the success of each student who attends.

We are grateful for so many in the community who contribute to a great experience for our students. Local businesses, to include our parents' workplaces, host student shadows, give presentations, and share their craft in our Career Fair. Our PTA supports students and teachers, sponsors talent shows, and brings families together at Spring Fling. Our athletic programs encourage leadership, while Red Cross training and our environmental projects provide a high level of relevant learning. Student Council, Beta Club, and Jr. Honor Society members encourage service to and support of others. These organizations point the way as our school supports those who require our help.

Through Reflections entries, Juried Arts Exhibits, Spring Sing, school plays, our Falcon Facts newsletter, and two issues of SOARING, our students share their talents, their heart, and their voice.

Listen and smile, as our students shout proudly to the world, "Sevier is a great place to go to school, and I am a better person for the experience I have had!" Here is to a great 2009-2010.

Karen M Kapp, Principal
Vickie Failor, SIC Chair

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